



## **Senior Architect**

**Agency Code: 0599 – Class Code: 3961 – Exam Code: 7PB45**

Department(s): Department of General Services  
Opening Date: 9/21/2009  
Final Filing Date: Continuous  
Type of Examination: Departmental Open, Non-promotional  
Salary: Monthly-Ranged-Salary - \$10,311.00 - \$12,905.00  
Tenure/Time-base: Permanent Full-time  
Permanent Part-time  
Permanent Intermittent  
Limited Term Full-time  
Limited Term Part-Time  
Limited Term Intermittent

### **EEO**

An equal opportunity employer to all regardless of race, color, creed, national origin, ancestry, sex, marital status, disability, religious or political affiliation, age, or sexual orientation.

### **DRUG-FREE STATEMENT**

It is an objective of the State of California to achieve a drug-free State work place. Any applicant for State employment will be expected to behave in accordance with this objective, because the use of illegal drugs is inconsistent with the law of the State, the rules governing civil service, and the special trust placed in public servants.

### **WHO SHOULD APPLY?**

Applicants who meet the Minimum Qualifications as stated on this bulletin may apply for and take this Training and Experience Evaluation at any time.

**Once you have taken the Training and Experience Evaluation, you may not retake it for 12 months.**

### **FILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**Final Filing Date:** Continuous

**Where to Apply:** Click the link at the bottom of this bulletin.

### **SPECIAL TESTING ARRANGEMENTS**

If you have a disability and need special assistance or special testing arrangements, contact the California Department of Human Resources, Selection Services Program at (866) 844-8671, TTY (916) 654-6336, or via the California Relay Service for the Deaf or Hard of Hearing at (800) 735-2929 from TTY Phones, or at (800) 735-2922 from voice phones.

### **SALARY INFORMATION**

\$10,311.00 - \$12,905.00

## ELIGIBLE LIST INFORMATION

An open, merged eligible list will be established by the California Department of Human Resources for use by the Department of General Services. The names of successful competitors will be merged onto the eligible list in order of final score regardless of test date. **Eligibility expires 12 months after it is established.** Competitors must then retake the Training and Experience Evaluation to reestablish eligibility.

## REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMITTANCE TO THE EXAMINATION

**NOTE:** All applicants must meet the education and/or experience requirements as stated on this examination bulletin as of the date the test is taken.

## MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

EITHER

1

Two years of experience in California state service performing the duties of an Associate Architect or Architectural Project Production Analyst.

OR 2

**Experience:** Five years of experience in an architectural office, at least three years of which shall have involved responsible planning and designing of major buildings.

And

**Education:** Equivalent to graduation from college with major work in architecture. (Additional qualifying experience may be substituted for the required education on a year-for-year basis.) **NOTE: POSSESSION OF A VALID CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. (APPLICANTS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR REGISTRATION WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE EXAMINATION, BUT MUST POSSESS A VALID CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR APPOINTMENT.**

## POSITION DESCRIPTION

Incumbents, under general direction, create architectural plans and designs for buildings and groups of buildings which have difficult architectural problems; direct the work of design and planning teams.

## EXAMINATION INFORMATION

### TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE EVALUATION – Weighted 100%

The examination will consist solely of a Training and Experience Evaluation. To obtain a position on the eligible list, a minimum score of 70% must be received. An applicant will receive his/her score upon completion of the Training and Experience Evaluation process.

[Click here to preview the Training and Experience Evaluation.](#)

## KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES

**Knowledge of:** Architecture, architectural practice, details of planning and designing of public buildings, and groups of buildings; architectural and building materials; costs, codes, and construction methods; structural, electrical, and mechanical engineering as related to buildings.

**Ability to:** Make and analyze comprehensive architectural designs; present information clearly and effectively in pictorial and written forms; analyze situations accurately, and adopt an effective of action.

## VETERANS' PREFERENCE

Veterans' Preference will be granted for this examination.

## CAREER CREDITS

Career Credits will be added to the final score of competitors who are successful in this examination.

## DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS

### SPECIAL PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS

#### ALL LEVELS:

Demonstrated creative and artistic ability.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions concerning this announcement, please contact:

The California Department of Human Resources  
Selection Services Program  
1515 S Street, North Building, Suite 400 Sacramento,  
CA 95811-7258  
1-866-844-8671 California

Relay Service: (7-1-1)

Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TTY) (916) 654-6336

TTY is a telecommunications device that is reachable only from phones equipped with a TTY device

## GENERAL INFORMATION

**Applications are available** at [www.jobs.ca.gov](http://www.jobs.ca.gov), and local offices of the Employment Development Department.

**If you meet the requirements** stated on this examination bulletin, you may take this examination, which is competitive. Possession of the entrance requirements does not assure a place on the eligible list. Your performance in the examination described on this bulletin will be rated against a predetermined job-related rating, and all candidates who pass will be ranked according to their scores.

**The Department of General Services** reserves the right to revise the examination plan to better meet the needs of the service, should the circumstances under which this examination was planned change. Such revision will be in accordance with civil service laws and rules, and all competitors will be notified.

**Candidates needing special testing arrangements** due to a disability must mark the appropriate box on the application and contact the testing department.

**Hiring Interview Scope:** In a hiring interview, in addition to the scope described in this bulletin, the panel will consider education, experience, personal development, personal traits, and fitness. In appraising experience, more weight may be given to the breadth and recency of pertinent experience, and evidence of the candidate's ability to accept and fulfill increasing responsibilities than to the length of his/her experience. Evaluation of a candidate's personal development will include consideration of his/her recognition of his/her own training needs; his/her plans for self-development; and the progress he/she has made in his/her efforts toward self-development. For more information, you may refer to the [classification specification](#).

**General Qualifications:** Candidates must possess essential personal qualifications including integrity, initiative, dependability, good judgment, the ability to work cooperatively with others, and a state of health consistent with the ability to perform the assigned duties of the class. A medical examination may be required. In open examinations, investigation may be made of employment records and personal history, and fingerprinting may be required.

**Eligible Lists:** Eligible lists established by competitive examination, regardless of date, must be used in the following order: 1) sub-divisional promotional, 2) departmental promotional, 3) multi-departmental promotional, 4) service-wide promotional, 5) departmental open, and 6) open. When there are two lists of the same kind, the older must be used first. Eligible lists will expire in one to four years unless otherwise stated on the bulletin.

**Veterans' Preference:** Effective January 1, 2014, in accordance with Government Codes 18973.1 and 18973.5, Veterans' Preference will be awarded as follows: 1) Any veteran, widow or widower of a veteran, or spouse of a 100 percent disabled veteran, who achieves a passing score in an entrance examination, shall be ranked in the top rank of the resulting eligibility list. Any veteran who has been dishonorably discharged or released is not eligible for Veterans' Preference. 2) An entrance examination is defined, under the law, as any open competitive examination. And 3) Veterans' Preference is not granted once a person achieves permanent civil service status.

Veteran status is verified by the California Department of Human Resources (CalHR). Directions to apply for Veterans' Preference are on the Veterans' Preference Application (Std. Form 1093), which is available at [CalHR Veterans' Information page](#).

## TAKING THE EXAM

When you click the link below, you will be directed to the Training and Experience Evaluation. At the end of the Training and Experience Evaluation, it will be instantly scored.

[Click here to go to the Training and Experience Evaluation.](#)